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The parish secretary is usually in the parish office to receive calls on weekday mornings.

SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT (Year B)

Sunday 10th December 2017

Weekday Readings: Second Week of Advent B: Week 2

TIMES OF MASSES & SERVICES

Saturday	9th Dec.	9.30 a.m. Mass (in Latin) 10.15 a.m. Confessions (Fr. Peter - until 11.15 a.m.) 5.15 p.m. Confessions (until 5.45 p.m.) 6.00 p.m. Mass (Int. Lyn Whittington)
Sunday	10th Dec.	8.30 a.m. Mass (Int. Sarah McGivern RIP) 10.30 a.m. Mass (Int. The Parish)
Tuesday	12th Dec.	No Mass
Wednesday	13th Dec.	10.30 a.m. Mass - St Lucy (Int. Sean Whitmore RIP) 11.00 a.m. Exposition Angelus 12 noon The Angelus
Thursday	14th Dec.	12 noon The Angelus 12.05 p.m. Mass - St John of the Cross (Int, Helen, Sydney & Joan Whittington RIP)
Friday	15th Dec.	10.30 a.m. Mass (Int. Anthony Blackwell RIP)
Saturday	16th Dec.	9.30 a.m. Mass (in Latin) 10.15 a.m. Confessions (Fr. Robbie - until 11.15 a.m.) 5.15 p.m. Confessions (until 5.45 p.m.) 6.00 p.m. Mass (Int. Michael Kelly RIP)
Sunday	17th Dec.	8.30 a.m. Mass (Int. Carmel Collar) 10.30 a.m. Mass (Int. The Parish)



ORDINARIATE MASSES: Sunday 5.30 p.m. & Wednesday 7.00 p.m.



POPE FRANCIS' DECEMBER INTENTION

The Elderly: That the elderly, sustained by families and Christians, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 9th Dec - Lyn Whittington (Mollie Cundy & Beryl Blackwell's intention).
Sun 10th Dec, 8.30am - Sarah McGivern RIP (Margaret Sander's intention).
Wed 13th Dec - Sean Whitmore RIP (Sarah Down's intention). Thurs 14th Dec - Helen, Sydney & Joan Whittington RIP (Lyn Whittington's intention). Fri 15th Dec - Anthony Blackwell RIP (Beryl Blackwell's intention). Sat 16th Dec - Michael Kelly RIP (Mollie Cundy's intention). Sun 17th Dec - Carmel Collar (Mollie Cundy & Beryl Blackwell's intention).

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

During Advent we prepare to re-affirm our welcome to God in our lives as we celebrate the birth of His Son. One way in which we are enabled to deepen our relationship with Christ and his Church is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Fr Peter and Fr Robbie Low will be available to hear confessions on Saturday mornings during Advent.

Saturday 9th December, 10.15am - 11.15am: Fr Peter

Saturday 16th December, 10.15am - 11.15am: Fr Robbie Low

WEEKDAY MASS - Tuesday 12th December

There will be no Mass on Tuesday evening as Mount Charles School are holding their annual Christmas Carol Services in the church.

FR. PETER'S ADVENT LETTER

There are still a good number of Fr Peter's Advent letters awaiting distribution. We would be grateful if you would all take time to look through the envelopes for your area and, if possible, deliver as many as you can. If you do not find a letter addressed to you, please fill in one of the Parish Registration forms available on the table in the Narthex and hand it to one of the Welcomers. Thank you.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & READERS

I would be very grateful if Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers who are available over Christmas and New Year would sign the lists in the Porch. Thank you very much.

Rosemary Jeffery

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

The Christmas Offerings go direct to the Parish Priest. If you pay tax or give by standing order and would like to gift aid your offering (£10 or over), please place your donation in one of the bright blue 'Gift Aid' envelopes available in the Narthex. Those of you who regularly use envelopes can use the Christmas Offering envelope included in the pack you use for your weekly donation. Thank you.



ADVENT GIVING TREE

Our Advent Giving Tree is set up in the Narthex until Christmas. It's the one time in the year that we seek donations to support our local homelessness charity, St. Petroc's and the Devon and Cornwall Refugee Centre in Plymouth. If you are able to help, please take a card or an envelope (for the charity of your choice) from the tree and bring it back with your gift the following week. Cash goes into the wooden box; gifts go into the box at the foot of the tree. Thank you.

THE BOOKSHOP REPOSITORY

The Bookshop is manned every week after all weekend Masses as well as Friday morning after Mass. When it is unattended you are welcome to put your purchase money in the wall box in Cuthbert Mayne Room. At present the bookshop has a varied selection of Christmas cards and other Christmas items, alongside its usual stock of cards for all religious and other special occasions. It also has an extensive choice of rosaries, devotional and inspirational gifts as well as Bibles and Missals etc. Please take a little time to come and have a look at what is available. Thank you.

CATENIANS

The Duchy of Cornwall Circle will be holding their monthly meeting and ladies lunch at the Carlyon Bay Hotel next ***Sunday 17th December***. This is their Christmas luncheon and there is usually some light entertainment during and after the lunch. The meeting will start at 12.30pm followed by lunch at 1.00pm. Any wives of deceased Catenians and any gentlemen of the Parish who are interested in the Catenians are most welcome to join us. Dress code is smart casual. For catering purposes, please contact Peter Shaw on 01726 983375 or email: peteshaw50@gmail.com before 4pm on Monday 11th December.

NEW DIOCESAN TRUSTEES

The Trustees of the Diocese are responsible to the Charity Commission for the running of the Diocese as a registered Charity. Their invaluable work helps ensure that the mission of the church in the Diocese is carried out responsibly and smoothly. The Diocese is looking to recruit one or two new trustees with particular expertise in accountancy, corporate financial management or in Human Resources management (HR). If you would like to know more please contact: Mgr Robert Draper VG, Moderator of the Curia, St Boniface House, Ashburton TQ13 7JL.

GATHER 2018, 19th - 21st January

Livermead Cliff Hotel, Torquay

Join Bishop Mark O'Toole, Fr Denis McBride, David Wells, Cannon Paul Cummins, catechists, teachers, clergy and friends of the Diocese of Plymouth for a weekend of friendship, faith and formation. Cost £150 residential, £40 non-residential day rate. Early booking is essential, booking forms are available on the table in the Narthex.

PLEASE HELP COLLECT USED POSTAGE STAMPS

This ongoing Church project collects used postage stamps of the ***Leprosy Mission***. Please save stamps (UK or foreign) from your mail, ensuring that they are not damaged, with at least a ¼ inch (5mm) border around each edge and place them in the box in the Porch. Thank you for your support.

DIOCESAN YEAR BOOK 2018

The 2018 issue of the Diocesan Year book is now available in the Narthex, price £4.00. Please place your money in the wall box in the Porch. Thank you.

ALTERNATIVE GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

Catalogues for CAFOD 'World Gifts' are available in the Narthex and Porch. For those wishing to give a gift through 'Cornish Christmas Giving' please let Sarah have your email address and she will forward the catalogue on to you.

COLLECTIONS Thank you

The parish collection total below does not include Standing Orders which average at £327 per week. Cheques should be made payable to: PRCDTR St. Austell Parish.

Parish Collection: £673.42; Candles: £18.18; Coffee: £15.58; Flowers: £7.81; Connect 2 Ethiopia: £17.10; APF: £21.28; Autumn Fayre Donation: £20.00; Parish Breakfast: £14.78.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please remember in your prayers those in the parish who are sick or housebound especially *Pauline Abdey, Fred Abraham, Sylvia Austin, Maura Bennett, Brendan Bowe, Teiaia Bradbury, James & Margaret Clapp, Maureen Coles, Mary Coupe, Milena Danielli, Trevona Delaney, Mary Dineen, Sue Dugmore, Helen Gibson, Pat Giles, Elaine Gladwin, Florence Godolphin, Teresita Hill, Cynthia Longthorp, Elizabeth McKie, Carmen Matthews, Sarah Mitchell, Valerie Parkinson, June Parsons, Pamela Platt, Edwina Porter-Duncan, Tony Shortall, Amanda Stickney, Katie Symes, Paddy Wellington, Pauline Whitford, Sally Wilson.*

COGITAMENTA

“Advent, like its cousin Lent, is a season for prayer and reformation of our hearts. Since it comes at winter time, fire is a fitting sign to help us celebrate Advent... If Christ is to come more fully into our hearts this Christmas, if God is to become really incarnate for us, then fire will have to be present in our prayer. Our worship and devotion will have to stoke the kind of fire in our souls that can truly change our hearts. Ours is a great responsibility not to waste this Advent time.”
Edward Hayes, A Pilgrim's Almanac

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